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TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENTS

Enclosed are the following documents for entry in the above-identified application:

[A]	Correction of Priority Claim under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78
[]	Petition for Extension of Time
[X]	Preliminary Amendment
[X]	Request For Corrected Filing Receipt (including copy of originally filed
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REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF PRIORITY CLAIM UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.78

Applicants hereby request a correction of the priority claim under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120, 119 for the benefit of prior filed U.S. applications.

Applicants submit the following in connection with their request to correct priority in this application:

1. This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to and is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/237,969, filed on January 27, 1999; and under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/072,672, filed January 28, 1998 and entitled "Endoscopic Procedure Simulation System and Method"; U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/105,661, Filed October 26, 1998 and entitled "Endoscopic Surgical Simulation System and Method Including Pivotable Entry Site"; and U.S. Provisional Patent

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Application Serial No. 60/116,545, filed January 21, 1999 and entitled "Endovascular Procedure Simulation System and Method."

- 2. A preliminary amendment is filed herewith to amend the first paragraph of the specification to contain this reference. 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(5)(i).
- 3. This request has been filed within the later of four months from the actual filing date of the later-filed application (January 9, 2004) or sixteen months from the filing date of the prior-filed applications. 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(5)(ii).

Because this request for corrected priority claim has been filed within the time period provided in 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(5)(ii), Applicants believe no fees are due.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

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